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Madrid, Decemb. 2. N. S.

ON the 24th of the last Month, the King of *Spain* was Proclaimed here in the following manner. The Marquis *de Grillo Alferez Mayor* or Standard-bearer of *Madrid*, went to the Town-Hall, accompanied by divers Grandees, and other Persons of Quality; where Don *Ronquillo* the Corregidor, and the other Magistrates and Publick Officers, were assembled, and the Corregidor having deliver'd to the Marquis *de Grillo* a Standard, in which the King's Arms were embroider'd, they proceeded from thence to the *Placa-Mayor*; First marched the King's Guards, and after them the Officers of Justice on Horseback; then six Mace-bearers in red Liveries with Silver Maces, four Heralds, the Town Officers, and last of all the Corregidor, and the Standard-bearer. In the *Placa-Mayor* a Theatre was erected, on which was placed the King's Picture under a Canopy of State; The Marquis *de Grillo*, Don *Ronquillo*, and the eldest Regidor, with the Heralds, mounted the Theater, and the Marquis thrice Proclaimed the new King, with the Stile of *Philip the Fifth, King of Castille*, to which the People returned Acclamations of, *Long live the King*. The same Ceremony was performed before the Palace, the Nunnery called *Descalcas Reales*, and the Town-Hall. Orders are dispatched to the Governors of the several Cities and Provinces in the *Spanish* Dominions, That they forthwith cause the King to be Proclaimed in their respective Governments. The Constable of *Castille* is appointed Ambassador Extraordinary to the Court of *France*; The Count *de San Stephano*, who sollicited this Employment, and was refused it, has thereupon resigned his Office of Mayor-Domo Mayor or High Steward to the Queen; and the Dutchess *de Frias*, his Sister, who was the Queen's Camerera-Mayor or First Lady of the Bedchamber, has also quitted that Place. The Count *d'Aversberg* arrived here the 21st Instant from *Vienna*, being appointed by the Emperor to succeed Count *Harrach* as his Ambassador Extraordinary at this Court; and they are both gone to pass some days in the Country.

Rome, *November* 30. This day the new Pope was ordained a Bishop by the Cardinal *de Bouillon*, assisted by the Cardinals *Acciaioli* and *Carpegna* as Bishops, *Carlo Barberini* as Priest, and *Pamphilio*, *Astalli*, and *Bichi*, as Deacons; He has appointed the 8th of the next Month for his Coronation. The Briefs will shortly be dispatch'd to the Crown'd Heads, to notifie his Election; but 'tis said, he will not give any Publick Audience to their Ambassadors, till they have by Instruments under their own hands desisted from the Franchises which the Foreign Ministers residing here have long pretended to, and which have often occasioned much Disturbance in this City. He has sent Letters to his Relations, who live at *Urbino* and *Bergamo*, to forbid them to come to *Rome* without his particular order. The *French* Ambassador continues still at *San Quirico*, but 'tis believed the Business about Prince *Vaheni*, which occasioned the Ambassadors going from hence, will soon be accommodated, and that he will then return hither. The Princess of *Piombino*, a Fief belonging to the Crown of *Spain*, died lately in a Nunnery at *Torre de Specchi*, and that Principality is fallen to the Dutchess *de Sora* her Sister, who has been Complimented thereupon by the *Spanish* Ambassador.

Venice, Dec. 4. The Publick Rejoicings for the Election of the new Pope have lasted 3 days, and *Te Deum* has been sung in all the Churches of this City upon this occasion. The Senate have sent Orders to the Captain-General *Giacomo Cornaro*, who is now in the *Morea*, to return hither with most of the *Venetian* Galleys, and 3000 Foot of the Forces in that Country; And Orders are sent to General *Mocenigo*, who commands the *Venetian* Troops in *Dalmatia*, to send hither 3000 Horse. The Commanders of the Frontier Places in the State of *Venice*, are ordered to keep their Magazines well stored with Provisions and Ammunition, and 'tis said new Levies will be made to reinforce the Garrisons. All hands are at work, to repair the Damage which the Fortifications of the *Lido*, and other Publick Buildings, have suffered by the late great Flood. We hear, that at the same time this Misfortune happened here, the Town of *Chiosa*, about 24 miles from hence, sustained great Damage likewise by the overflowing of the Sea.

Stockholme, December 7. Several Regiments of Horse and Foot are raising in this Kingdom, which the Officers are to have compleat by the beginning of *March*. The advices from *Finland* say, the *Swedish* Forces in that Province, to the number of about 20000, are drawing together in order to give the *Muscovites* a Diversion, by making an Excursion into the *Czar*'s Territories. Letters from *Revel* give an account, That the King of *Sweden* was marched from *Wesenburg* (the Place of General Rendezvous of his Forces) to the Relief of *Narva*. 'Tis said, the Duke of *Holstein-Gottorp* intends in few days to go from hence to *Pomeren*.

Paris, December 25. *N. S.* Monsieur *Heemskirke*, Ambassador from the States-General, had a Private Audience of the King at *Versailles* the 17th Instant. The same day the *Spanish* Ambassador presented to the King the Duke *d'Ossuna* Grandee of *Spain*, the Prince *de Pio*, the Marquis *de Tenebron*, the Marquis *de Robledo*, and the Count *d'Ursel*; and they afterwards waited upon the Dauphin, the Duke and Dutchess of *Burgundy*, and the Duke and Dutchess of *Orleans*. The Count *de Bagliani*, Envoy from the Duke of *Mantua*, had Audience of the King the 21st, and Complimented him upon his Grandson's Accession to the Crown of *Spain*; He had Audience also of the Dauphin, whom he Complimented in like

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